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First Named Inventor	Cord F. STÄHLER, et al.
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Examiner Name	Maurie Garcia Baker
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Title of the Invention: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PRODUCING AND/OR ANALYZING BIOCHEMICAL REACTION SUPPORTING MATERIALS

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

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In response to the Office Action dated August 26, 2003, Applicants submit the following remarks.

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